

REMARKS

The Examiner has required restriction between:

Group I: Claim(s) 1-10 and 13-21, drawn to a method of attenuating infection or transmission of an immunodeficiency virus via a p21 inhibitor that is a polynucleotide.

Group II: Claim(s) 1, 2, 11, 13, and 22, drawn to a method of attenuating infection or transmission of an immunodeficiency virus via a p21 inhibitor that is a protein;

Group III: Claim(s) 1, 2, 11-13, 22 and 23, drawn to a method of attenuating infection or transmission of an immunodeficiency virus via a p21 inhibitor that is 2-cyano-3,12-dioxooleana-1,9-dein-28-oic acid;

Group IV: Claim(s) 24-32, drawn to a pharmaceutical composition comprising an inhibitor of p21 where the inhibitor is a polynucleotide. (This group is further restricted as noted below.)

Group V: Claim(s) 24 and 33, drawn to pharmaceutical composition comprising an inhibitor of p21 where the inhibitor is a protein; and

Group VI: Claim(s) 24, 33 and 34, drawn to pharmaceutical composition comprising an inhibitor of p21 where the inhibitor is 2-cyano-3,12-dioxooleana-1,9-dein-28-oic acid.

Claims currently under examination in the application are claims 1, 2, and 13. Claims 3-11, 14-22, and 24-34 are withdrawn for being directed to a non-elected invention. Claims 12 and 23 are cancelled.

Fee Authorization and Request for Extension of Time for Reply

A two (2) month extension in time for reply is hereby requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No.: 04-1105 referencing Docket No: 64868(47992) the fee for a two month extension, large entity. It is believed that no further fee is due. However, if an additional fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account 04-1105 referencing the Docket number any fees due with this paper or subsequently filed paper in this case. Refund of any excess payment of fees to the Deposit Account is requested.

An Office Action in the merits is respectfully requested.

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